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order to ensure that the repaired property will serve as adequate security for the insured mortgage.

- (b) Assurance that repairs are made. The mortgage may be closed before the repair work is completed if the Secretary estimates that the cost of the remaining repair work will not exceed 15 percent of the maximum claim amount and the mortgage contains provisions approved by the Secretary concerning payment for the repairs.
- (c) Role of mortgagee. The mortgagee shall cause one or more inspections of the property to be made by an inspector approved by the Secretary in order to ensure that the repair work is satisfactory, and prior to the release of funds for the repairs. The mortgagee shall hold back a portion of the contract price attributable to the work done before each interim release of funds, and the total of the hold backs will be released after the final inspection and approval of the release by the mortgagee. The mortgagee shall ensure that all mechanics' and materialmen's liens are released of record.

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§ 206.51 Eligibility of mortgages involving a dwelling unit in a condominium

If the mortgage involves a dwelling unit in a condominium, the project in which the unit is located shall have been committed to a plan of condominium ownership by deed, or other recorded instrument, that is acceptable to the Secretary, except as provided in §234.26(i) of this chapter.

[61 FR 26984, May 29, 1996]

REFINANCING OF EXISTING HOME EQUITY CONVERSION MORTGAGES

§ 206.53 Refinancings.

(a) General. This section implements section 255(k) of NHA. Except as otherwise provided in this section, all requirements applicable to the insurance of home equity conversion mortgages under this part apply to the insurance of refinancings under this section. HUD may, upon application by a mortgagee,

insure any mortgage given to refinance an existing home equity conversion mortgage insured under this part, including loans assigned to the Secretary as described in §206.107(a)(1) and §206.121(b) under this part.

- (b) Definition of "total cost of the refinancing." For purposes of paragraphs (c) and (d) of this section, the term "total cost of the refinancing" means the sum of the allowable charges and fees permitted under §206.31 and the initial MIP described in §206.105(a) and paragraph (c) of this section.
- (c) Initial MIP limit. The initial MIP paid by the mortgagee pursuant to §206.105(a) shall not exceed two percent of the increase in the maximum claim amount (i.e., the difference between the maximum claim amount for the new home equity conversion mortgage and the maximum claim amount for the existing home equity conversion mortgage that is being refinanced).
- (d) Anti-churning disclosure—(1) Contents of anti-churning disclosure. In addition to providing the required disclosures under §206.43, the mortgagee shall provide to the mortgagor its best estimate of:
- (i) The total cost of the refinancing to the mortgagor; and
- (ii) The increase in the mortgagor's principal limit as measured by the estimated initial principal limit on the mortgage to be insured less the current principal limit on the home equity conversion mortgage that is being refinanced under this section.
- (2) Timing of anti-churning disclosure. The mortgagee shall provide the anti-churning disclosure concurrently with the disclosures required under § 206.43.
- (e) Waiver of counseling requirement. The mortgagor may elect not to receive counseling under § 206.41, but only if:
- (1) The mortgagor has received the anti-churning disclosure required under paragraph (d) of this section.
- (2) The increase in the mortgagor's principal limit (as provided in the antichurning disclosure) exceeds the total cost of the refinancing by an amount established by the Secretary through FEDERAL REGISTER notice. HUD may periodically update this amount through publication of a notice in the FEDERAL REGISTER. Publication of any

such revised amount will occur at least 30 days before the revision becomes effective.

(3) The time between the date of the closing on the original home equity conversion mortgage and the date of the application for refinancing under this section does not exceed five years (even if less than five years have passed since a previous refinancing under this section).

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Subpart C—Contract Rights and Obligations

SALE, ASSIGNMENT AND PLEDGE

§ 206.101 Sale, assignment and pledge of insured mortgages.

The provisions of §§203.430 through 203.435 of this chapter shall be applicable to mortgages eligible for insurance under this part.

§206.102 General Insurance Fund.

Mortgages insured under this part shall be obligations of the General Insurance Fund.

[60 FR 42761, Aug. 16, 1995]

MORTGAGE INSURANCE PREMIUMS

§ 206.103 Payment of MIP.

The payment of any MIP under this subpart shall be made to the Secretary by the mortgagee in cash, until the contract of insurance is terminated.

§ 206.105 Amount of MIP.

- (a) *Initial MIP*. The mortgagee shall pay to the Secretary an initial MIP of two percent of the maximum claim amount.
- (b) Monthly MIP. Monthly MIP will accrue daily on the mortgage balance at a rate equivalent to one-half of one percent per annum and shall be added to the mortgage balance when paid to the Secretary.

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§ 206.107 Mortgagee election of assignment or shared premium option.

(a) Election of option. Before the mortgage is submitted for insurance endorsement, the mortgagee shall elect either the assignment option or the shared premium option.

- (1) Under the assignment option, the mortgagee shall have the option of assigning the mortgage to the Secretary if the mortgage balance is equal to or greater than 98 percent of the maximum claim amount, or the mortgagor has requested a payment which exceeds the difference between the maximum claim amount and the mortgage balance and:
- (i) The mortgagee is current in making the required payments under the mortgage to the mortgagor;
- (ii) The mortgagee is current in its payment of the MIP (and late charges and interest on the MIP, if any) to the Secretary:
- (iii) The mortgage is not due and payable under § 206.27(c)(1); and
- (iv) The mortgagee has not informed the Secretary of an event described in §206.27(c)(2), or the Secretary has been so informed but has denied approval for the mortgage to be due and payable. At the mortgagee's option, the mortgagee may forgo assignment of the mortgage and file a claim under any of the circumstances described in §206.123(a)(2)–(5).
- (v) The mortgage is a first lien of record and title to the property securing the mortgage is good and marketable. The provisions of \$203.353 of this chapter pertaining to mortgagee certifications, \$203.387 of this chapter pertaining to title evidence, and \$203.389 of this chapter pertaining to waived title objections also apply.
- (2) Under the shared premium option, the mortgagee may not assign a mortgage to the Secretary unless the mortgagee fails to make payments and the Secretary demands assignment (§206.123(a)(2)), but the mortgagee shall only be required to remit a reduced monthly MIP to the Secretary. The mortgagee shall collect from the mortgagor the full amount of the monthly MIP provided in §206.105(b) but shall retain a portion of the monthly MIP paid by the mortgagor as compensation for the default risk assumed by the mortgagee. The portion of the MIP to be retained by a mortgagee shall be determined by the Secretary as calculated in §206.109. For a particular mortgage,